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CPS ENERGY™ OFFERS REBATES FOR WINDOW, CENTRAL A/C UNITS

As yet another means of helping customers save energy and money, CPS Energy™ is currently offering rebates on the purchase of high-efficiency window and central air conditioning units.

While limited funds last, CPS Energy will award up to \$650 in credit on a customer's utility bill for replacing an existing central heating and cooling unit with a new unit having a Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (SEER) of 13.0 or higher. Window units with the U.S. Government's ENERGY STAR® seal of approval can earn up to \$100 in utility bill credit depending on the size of the unit.

"Besides the rebate, customers will have lower utility bills with new units that use less energy and keep their homes cooler during the summer months," said Laura Compton, CPS Energy's supervisor of economic forecasting and pricing. "It's also part of our Strategic Energy Plan to promote energy conservation and encourage our customers to upgrade to more-efficient units."

CPS Energy, along with Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) and Neighborhoods First Alliance, recently sponsored an orientation program to answer questions and encourage customers to sign up for *(close up space)*

the rebates. "So many of our older homes in San Antonio have window units, and we want to let our customers know if they need to replace one, possibly we can help," said Compton.

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To qualify for a rebate:

- High-efficiency cooling units must be purchased and installed between Jan. 1, 2005, and Dec. 31, 2005.
- The rebate program expires Dec. 31, 2005, or when funds are expended.
- Applications must be received prior to Jan 10, 2006, and can be found at www.cpsenergy.com or picked up at any of CPS Energy's five customer service centers.
- All applications are subject to verification.
- The new unit must be placed in service within CPS Energy's service area.
- The rebate recipient must be a CPS Energy customer. The rebate appears as a credit to the customer's CPS Energy account.
- All cooling units must be ENERGY STAR-certified products.

For more information about the rebate program, call 353-2SAV, or go to www.cpsenergy.com.

CPS Energy is the nation's largest municipally owned energy company providing both natural gas and electric service. Acquired by the City of San Antonio in 1942, CPS Energy serves more than 600,000 electric customers and over 300,000 natural gas customers in and around the eighth largest city in the U. S. Proceeds from CPS Energy remain in San Antonio and account for more than one-fifth of the City's annual operating budget for police and fire protection,

street improvements, parks and other services. CPS Energy bills rank among the lowest of the nation's 20 largest cities, and the company has earned the highest financial rating of any electric system in the nation

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